

February 16, 2004

Mr. John Mott-Smith Chief, Elections Division Office of the Secretary of State 1500 11th Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear John,

After reviewing the attached special ITA test reports from Wyle Laboratories, Ciber, Inc, and Steven V. Freeman regarding the recent testing of the AccuVote TSx DRE Voting Machine using firmware release 4.4.3.27-Cal and GEMS software version 1-18-18, the NASED Voting Systems Board recommends that California approve the use of this specific voting system configuration in the upcoming March Primary election.

NASED makes this conditional recommendation *only* in light of the urgent March Primary deadline and under the condition that the vendor address the anomalies noted in the test reports and successfully completes full ITA testing before receiving an official NASED system qualification number for the AccuVote TSx.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Wilkey, Chairman NASED Voting Systems Board

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